

I take this great opportunity, on this occasion of the 12th Graduation Ceremony of Busitema University, to congratulate you all for this great achievement. You have worked hard and I am undeniably proud of your accomplishments.

The zeal you demonstrated towards your studies, the respect you rendered your Lecturers, the University support staff and your fellow students are remarkable and represent the critical first steps in your career development.

My sincere gratitude goes to your teachers, mentors, peers as well as to your parents and guardians, for the help and counsel they accorded you over the years, making it possible for you to achieve this celebrated finish.

It should be noted that today certainly marks the commencement of the new chapter in your life. While your time at Busitema University has been a phase to help you establish your roots firmly, it is a beginning of continued growth to more productive years ahead of you. You have received 'nourishment' in the form of knowledge and anchoring to help you bear much fruit and support to withstand the storms of life that will come your way.

I am confident that your extraordinary experience at Busitema University, the fashion in which you have conducted yourselves over the years, and the knowledge and skills you have received will promote you to overcome the future encounters.

The expedition that you are now embarking on, incorporates personal, and family responsibilities as well as a navigation of global communities and nations. This is likely to place colossal pressure on you to answer to the new growth areas, especially those caused by Global pandemics such as COVID-19. I have no doubt that, with the knowledge and skills acquired

at Busitema University together with increasing creativity, innovation you will make great contribution to your local and global communities in a significant way. You must continuously adapt to a rapid changing world especially the digital environment in order not to be left behind. Despite our many difficulties, or perhaps because of them, Uganda offers enormous opportunities for innovation in virtually every field. If you aim to serve you will find unlimited opportunity

Today you join the multitude of convocation members, I challenge you all to intensify and innovate energy to create a better country than what we inherited. A spirit of blame does not in itself meet the crying needs we face. But an unwavering willpower to meet needs, even when we are now monetarily undercompensated, can make a remarkable difference in the lives of the people whom God brings our way and presents us the opportunity to serve. Love is not about getting. It is about

giving and until we practice and transform love, I believe we shall not be able to turn Uganda and ourselves around

I commend you to go out and love the world, starting with your family knowing that our labour in the lord is not in vain! You will be amazed at God's response to your sacrifices and so 'let us do everything as unto the Lord". Remember our country's motto: For God and my Country. This vision of our motto is the way to peace and prosperity

I wish you great success and excellent health as you leave the gates of Busitema University. Let us continue, together, to Pursue Excellence in everything we do

For God and My Country

Professor Vinand Mutakabala Nantulya

CHANCELLOR